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PATENT
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: BRUNNER ET AL-1
SERIAL NO.: 09/425,694 EXAMINER: C. BROWN
FILED: OCTOBER 22, 1999 GROUP: 1765
TITLE: PROCESS FOR THE WET CHEMICAL TREATMENT OF
SEMICONDUCTOR WAFERS

PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) AND RULE 17(a)(2)

ATT: BOX FEE AMENDMENT
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, under Rule 136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 12, 2001 for two months, from June 12, 2001 to August 12, 2001. Submitted herewith, under Rule 17(a)(2), is a check in the amount of \$390.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a Large Entity.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-2468.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure: Check in the amount of \$390.00

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on August 3, 2001.

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